



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
ARBOR DAY
MAY 6, 2005

WHEREAS, tree planting is an annual tradition in North Dakota, promoting the importance of trees and symbolically representing a commitment to the past, present and future; and

WHEREAS, trees have long-lasting benefits for future generations and make communities an inviting place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, city foresters deserve recognition for their efforts and commitment to planting trees and sustaining forestry programs that benefit our communities; and

WHEREAS, trees improve air quality, control snow deposition, conserve energy, raise property values, enhance water quality, reduce storm-water runoff, provide wildlife habitat, combat soil erosion and add beauty to the landscape; and

WHEREAS, through partnerships, resourcefulness, creativity and initiative, city foresters help to enhance the environment for the benefit of future generations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 6, 2005, **ARBOR DAY** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State